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THE RICE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Rice County, Minnesota
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The Rice County Genealogical Society (RCGS) meeting day has changed and will usually be the 4th Tuesday of the month, at various times, alternating between the Rice County Historical Society Museum, 1814 NW 2nd Avenue, in Faribault and the Northfield Public Library 210 Washington Street in Northfield.

TENTATIVE MEETING DATES: **please see website for final details or changes**

May 28, 2019	Faribault	6:00	Rice County Historical Society Museum
June 25, 2019	Faribault	2:00	Rice County Historical Society Museum
July 23, 2019	Northfield	3:30	Northfield Public Library, Pye Room
August 27, 2019	Faribault	2:00	Rice County Historical Society Museum
September 24, 2019	Northfield	3:30	Northfield Public Library, Bundy Room
October 22, 2019	Faribault	6:00	Rice County Historical Society Museum
November	no meeting		
December 10, 2019	Northfield	11:30	Holiday lunch, place to be determined

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Thanks to John and Jan Dalby for referring most of the above for this issue.

Remembering Susan Lloyd

Our friend and member of RCGS

excerpts from her obituary
biermanfuneralhome.com

"Sue Lloyd age 81, of Northfield passed away, Monday, December 31, 2018 at the Northfield Hospital. Susan was born on November 29, 1937 in Canton, Ohio, the daughter of John William and Geraldine Easterman Wright…

She was united in marriage to Tim Lloyd on December 19,1959 in Canton… In 1964, the couple moved to Northfield, Minnesota. …She later became interested in studying genealogy, an interest which led her to discover relatives in an abandoned cemetery near Faribault, Minn. Once she discovered that one of Tim's third-great-grandparents was buried near Northfield, she began the project of restoring the Prairieville Cemetery in Faribault. For the last ten years she worked on the restoration, working with county officials, writing grants, and obtained tax-exempt status for Friends of Old Prairieville Cemetery.

Her friends have often described Sue's true beauty as her deep friendship and caring for so many others…"

Funeral service was held Saturday January 5, 2019 at the Northfield United Methodist Church with burial at Valley Grove Cemetery in rural Nerstrand.

The March meeting of the RCGS

What DNA Kit is the Best for You?
DNA Facts for Genealogists by Joh Rys

The Faribault Daily News reporter, Misty Schwab, wrote an article about this presentation. It was published in the Faribault Daily, Thursday March 14, 2019 on pages 1 and 2; Vol. 106, No 52 © 2019. Misty and her editor have given permission to include it in our printed copies but not the downloaded version on archive.org

Rice County Genealogical Society speaker shares info on DNA testing

by MISTY SCHWAB
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ancestry.com
23andme.com
familytreedna.com

Photo from Mary Zabel showing a good turn-out for the March RCGS meeting on a very rainy windy evening.

THE JESSE JAMES CAFE

The bank where James and Youngers came,
  Although they did not stay,
Now bears [*sic*] an apt and fitting name—
  The Jesse James Cafe.

Where once the deadly six-guns roared,
  A waitress now holds sway;
And rules, with manner somewhat bored,
  The Jesse James Cafe.

And maybe when the night grows thin,
  And turns from black to gray
A ghostly band comes drifting in
  The Jesse James Cafe.

The men who stood their ground and shot
  Upon that fateful day,
Are met again on the same spot—
  The Jesse James Cafe.

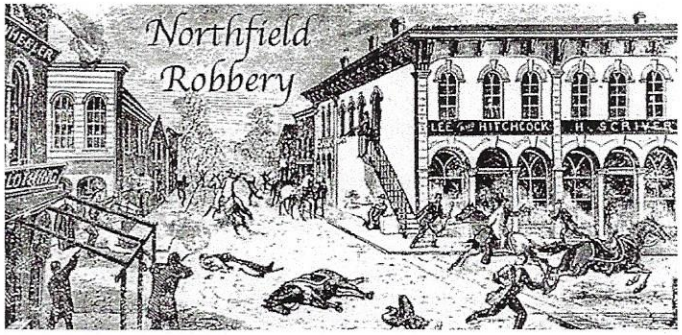
Just quiet ghosts, and but a few,
  Yet somehow, they convey
And add a glamour even to
  A Jesse James Cafe.

Heywood, Manning, Wheeler, Hobbs,
  The rest of that array;
The place where guns became their jobs—
  Now the Jesse James Cafe.

That law was in and crime was out,
  They proved in their own way;
The place rates notice, without doubt—
  This Jesse James Cafe.

By EVAN S. TONIAN[1]

The Jesse James Cafe was located in the Scriver Building in downtown Northfield, Minnesota. The building was built in 1868 and was the location of the First National Bank where the Jesse James Gang, unsuccessfully, tried to rob it on September 7, 1876. The building is now the Northfield Historical Society Museum.



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Jesse James Cafe photo from Minnesota Historical Society MR7.9NF3.1 r10
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Evan S. Tonian was a pseudonym for Maurice (Maury/Maurie) Allen Kent.[2] "Evan is a common Welsh name; "S" is a typical American middle initial; and Tonia sounds quite Armenian…when you omit the spaces it becomes "Evanstonian"."[3] Maury Kent lived in Evanston, Illinois for 21 years while on the athletic staff at Northwestern University.

Maurice Allen Kent
Born: 17 Sept 1885 in Marshalltown, Iowa the son of Volney and Anna (Allen) Kent
Died: 19 Apr 1966 in Iowa City, Iowa
Married: Margaret Blodgett of Northfield on 22 Sept 1914. She was the daughter of Charles and Edna (Winslow) Blodgett
Children: Barbara (Kent) Lievsay (1919-1991) and Maurice Kent Jr (1924-2014).[5]
Maury graduated from University of Iowa in 1908.[4] According to Wikipedia, he was football coach at Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota 1909-1912, basketball coach 1909-1913, and baseball coach 1910; hence his familiarity with the Jesse James Cafe. He later coached at Haskell Institute in Kansas, Iowa State, Wisconsin and Northwestern University.[6]

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Maury Kent

1 Chicago Tribune 17 July 1936 p. 14
2 Chicago Tribune 15 January 1949 p. 8
3 Chicago Tribune 9 September 1939 p. 12
4. Iowa City Press 20 April 1966 p. 2
Obituary; Ex-UI Coach Kent Dies
5 ancestry.com and findagrave.com
6 wikipedia.org/wiki/Maury_Kent

Biography of The Edwards Family

Paper read by A. E. Edwards at the Edwards Family Reunion held in Morristown Sunday July 30, 1911. It is retyped from dalbydata transcription. Location of the original is unknown.

Having been asked to write up a "little" biography of the Edwards Family and, not having much data to assist me in the matter, I was able to write "only a little" but if you will bear with me, I will give you what I was able to get.

From what I can learn from men whose homes were in Wales, I have come to believe that that was the country of our forefathers in a very early day. However, some of them broke away from their home ties and settled in one of the New England states. About the year 1767 a child was born, whose name was Daniel Edwards, and, after growing to manhood, migrated to the state of New York and settled near what is now known as Union Corners. The country being a wilderness in those days and sawed lumber not being in use, a log cabin was erected in which he was to live and raise his family, consisting of five sons and four daughters.

The names of all his children I could not learn, but among them were Havalin, Samuel, Daniel Jr., Andrew, Mary and Esther. Here I will mention Esther, when grown to womanhood, married Benjamin Archer, and therefore was the grandmother of Benjamin, Orrio [*sic Orrin*], Emmet and Adelbert Scott.

Havalin Edwards was the oldest son of Daniel Edwards Sr., and was born August 25, 1790. After growing up he enlisted in the New York state militia, under Capt. John Ohara, and went out in the regiment commanded by Lieut., Col. Henry Bloom, in the war of 1812. After being wounded he was discharged and returned home. When he had attained the age of 30, he married Bethany Shaw, then 16. This was in 1820. They commenced their humble life in a log cabin near the old homestead. Lighting for competence among the hills of western New York, where they eventually made a home and raised a large family, consisting of ten sturdy sons and three daughters, namely: William, Herman, Louvina, Andrew, Allen, Maria, Alonzo, Alva, David, James, Elsie, Frank and Harvey. All of these have passed to the great unknown, except Frank, who is with us today, and Harvey, of Colorado.

When these brothers and sisters came to the age of maturity, they began to take unto themselves helpmates to make homes for themselves and their offspring.
William took Polly Ann Stevens;
Herman, Jane Watson;
Louvina, John Stevens;
Andrew, Elmira White;
Allen, Rose Dowling;
Maria, Henry M. Barnes;
Alonzo, Emeline Green;
Alva, Electa Leonard;
David, Mahala Johnson;
James, Elizabeth Keil;
Elsie, Eugene Witter;
Frank, Eliza Jordan;
Harvey, Altha Mathems.

Nine of the men and women who married [*into*] this family of Edwards are still living, namely: Polly Ann Stevens, Mahala Johnson, Elizabeth Keil, Eugene Witter, Eliza Jordan and Altha Mathems.

All but two, Louvina and James, of this great family of thirteen, left their native state and settled over the Mississippi valley and the western states. Eleven of them came to Wisconsin but after a little time they began to scatter. Herman went to Iowa, Andrew to Minnesota, Allen went south during the rebellion, wearing a suit of blue, from which he never returned, Alonzo to Colorado, Alva to Washington, David to Nebraska, Elsie Jane to Minnesota and Harvey to Colorado. [*end*]

Further, unsourced, information found on ancestry.com, findagrave.com, and familysearach.org

Harvy? Daniel? Edwards (1767 Conn.- ?)
Married Lucretia (1768 Conn.-1835 NY)
Their Children were
Harvalin b. 1790
Andrew b. 1792
Daniel b. 1796
Samuel
Mary
Esther* b. abt. 1803
?Abner b.1796

***Esther Edwards**
Born: c1808 Livingston, New York
Died: Medina County, Ohio
Married: Benjamin Archer
Children:
Darius (1829-1891)
Alvira (1831-)
Amanda (1833-)
Martha ** (1838-1900)
George (1842-1900)
Benjamin (1845-)
Orson (1849-1921)

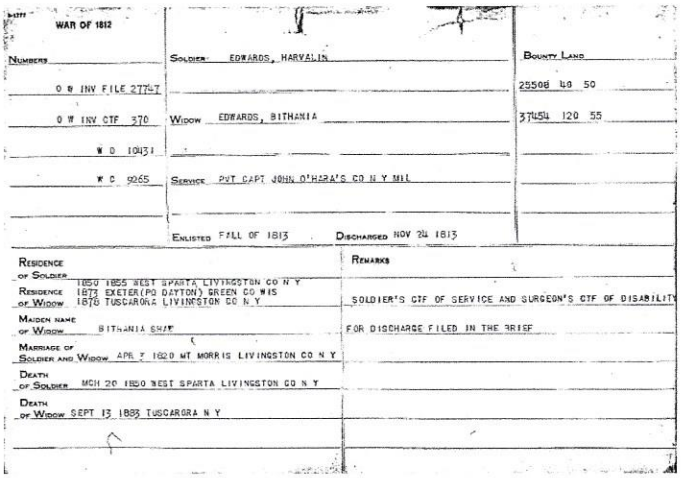
****Martha Archer** b.1838 Ohio
d. 21 July 1900 Wisconsin
m. 7 Feb 1856 Medina County, Ohio
Stephen Angell Scott (1828-1892)
Children – mentioned in the biography

1 Benjamin Scott c 1857 Wisconsin
2 Orrin Scott c1862 Wisconsin
3 Emmet Scott 1869-1921
4 Adelbert Scott 1876-1934

Harvalin Edwards
Born: 25 Aug 1790,
Died: 20 Mar 1850 West Sparta, Livingston, New York cause of death palsy
Married: Bithania Shaw 3 Apr 1820 in Mount Morris, Ontario (now Livingston) County, New York
Buried: Union Corners Cemetery, Tuscarora, Livingston County, New York; Findagrave.com ID 75870437 maintained by 46994799

Bethany/Bethania/Bithania Shaw
Born: 9 Mar 1804 Oswego, Oswego County, New York
Died: 13 Sep 1883 Sparta, Livingston County, New York
Buried: Union Corners Cemetery, Tuscarora, Livingston County, New York

Children of Harvalin and Bethania
1.William Edwards (1821-1894)
2.Herman Edwards (1822-1897)
3.Lavinia (Edwards) Stevens (1824-1900)
4. Sally Maria (Edwards) Barnes (1827-1903)
5. Andrew Jackson Edwards (1829-1887)
6. Alva Jasper Edwards (1831-1888)
7. Allen Edwards (1834-1864)
8. Alonzo Joclyn Edwards (1835-1908)
9. David Ferdinand Edwards (1836-1904)
10. James H Edwards (1840-1911)
11. Elsie Jane (Edwards) Witter (1842-1906)
12. Francis M Edwards (1844-1915)
13. Harvey Lynn Edwards (1847-1918)


WAR OF 1812

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W O 10431		
W C 9265	Service PVT CAPT JOHN O'HARA'S CO N Y MIL	
	Enlisted FALL OF 1813 Discharged NOV 24 1813	

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Residence of Widow 1873 EXETER(PO DAYTON) GREEN CO WIS 1876 TUSCARORA LIVINGSTON CO N Y
Maiden name of Widow BITHANIA SHAW
Marriage of Soldier and Widow APR 3 1820 MT MORRIS LIVINGSTON CO N Y
Death of Soldier MCH 20 1850 WEST SPARTA LIVINGSTON CO N Y
Death of Widow SEPT 13 1883 TUSCARORA N Y

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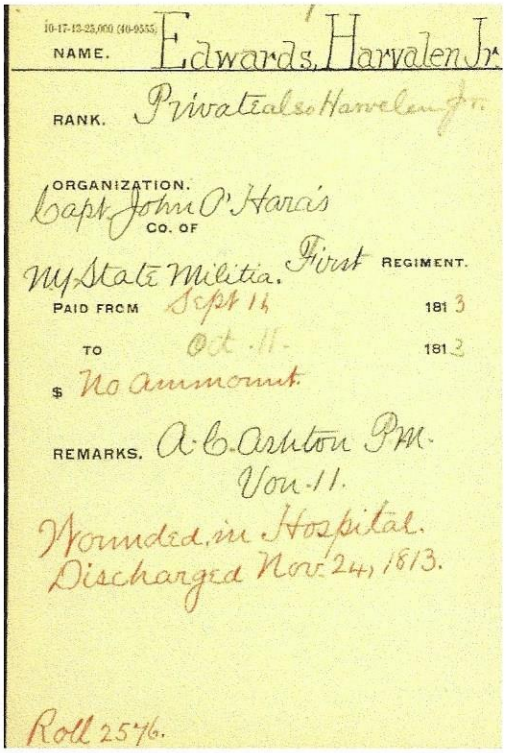
10-17-13-25,000 (40-9555)
NAME. Edwards, Harvalen Jr
RANK. Private also Harvelen Jr.
ORGANIZATION. Capt. John O'Hara's CO. OF
N.Y. State Militia. First REGIMENT.
PAID FROM Sept 14 1813
TO Oct. 11 1813
$ No ammount
REMARKS. A.C. Ashton PM.
Nov. 11.
Wounded in Hospital.
Discharged Nov. 24, 1813.
Roll 2576.

The 'Hastings Woman'
from The Minnpost.com Apr 4, 2017
is a portion of the article titled "A bare-bones budget: Amendment would pay for state to analyze and bury unidentified remains" by Briana Bierschbach
[the following is with permission from MinnPost]

"The state archeologists most conspicuous success in such identification came in 2014. Construction workers were digging holes to build a new CVS Pharmacy in Hastings when they discovered a set of human bones in a coffin. Initial analysis indicated the remains were from a white woman. Based on the type of nails used in the coffin, experts determined she was probably buried around 1900. Further analysis revealed she was a Euro-American woman who had severe arthritis in one of her hips and died when she was in her late 20s or early 30s.

Thanks to the help of a volunteer historian, the state learned that European settlers started arriving in Hastings around 1853, and the woman had likely been buried not long after that, before formal cemeteries were established. That put her time of death sometime before May 1856. A search of all recorded female deaths in the Hastings area between 1853 and May 1856 turned up only one woman who fit the biological profile: Susan Twitchell Fox. Originally from New York, both Twitchell Fox and her husband, Hiram Fox, died tragically: Susan at age of 26 and Hiram during the Civil War. The couple had two daughters, Theresa and Rebecca, who were raised in Hastings area by family and friends. Eventually, the state was also able to identify individuals who might be Twitchell Fox's great-grandchildren, who have agreed to do DNA testing to confirm that finding. "The carbon dating and the DNA testing will really help pull this all together," said Laurie Beyer-Kropuenske, Director of Community Services with the Department of Administration. "They are willing to take DNA test, but we haven't had the resources to process that yet." [*end*]

Update -the sample has been sent in for DNA testing and is being processed.

A comment on findagrave.com
"We believe the granite stone for Susan Twitchell Fox at County Line Cemetery Goodhue County is a memorial stone and not a gravestone, placed there by her daughter Rebecca. Rebecca's in-laws are buried within 20 feet of the memorial stone for Susan."

Find A Grave, database and images (https://www.findagrave.com) memorial page for Susan E. *Twitchell* Fox (1829-1856), Find A Grave Memorial no. 94275096 citing County Line Cemetery, Goodhue County, Minnesota, USA; Maintained by DaveVangsness (contributor 16959198)

Louise (Bockner) Thielbar
Birth location not Metz
How a hint on ancestry.com helped solve a mystery
By Harriet Berg

Several family trees and books list the birth place of Louise Bockner (Mrs. Albert F. Thielbar of Dundas, Minnesota) in Metz, Germany born 21 Nov 1842 and her younger sister, Bertha, born in Metz 24 June 1845 both daughters of August Bockner and his wife Catharina Bauer. I've wondered about this birthplace, Metz, and viewed it with skepticism. Metz is in the Alsace Loraine region (now part of France). The persons who may be Louisa's half-siblings came from Sonneberg in the Duchy Sachen-Meiningen, state of Thüringen, Germany; a very different part of Germany from Alsace Loraine.

In the spring of 2017 while looking at my tree on Ancestry.com I noticed a new hint [*the green leaf*] for Louise Bockner; the "*Index of Saxony and Thuringia, Germany Lutheran, Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, 1591-1875*, [database on-line]". It listed her baptism place Mötzelbach u. Oberhasel, Thüringen (Thuringia), Deutschland (Germany) in the parish of Oberhasel Etzelbach with her correct birth date. Looking further I found her sister, Bertha Bockner, listed in the index with her correct birth date and also found her parents' marriage but without a date.

10/15/2017 Saxony and Thuringia, Germany, Lutheran Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, 1591-1875 - Ancestry.com

Friederike Louise Henriette Bockner
in the Saxony and Thuringia, Germany, Lutheran Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, 1591-1875

Name:	Friederike Louise Henriette Bockner
Record Type:	Taufe (Baptism)
Birth Date:	21 Nov 1842
Baptism Date:	5 Dez 1842 (5 Dec 1842)
Baptism Place:	Mötzelbach u. Oberhasel, Thuringen (Thuringia), Deutschland (Germany)
Father:	Johann August Bockner
Mother:	Bertha Bockner
Author:	Evangelische Kirche Engorda (AG. Kahla)
City or District:	Mötzelbach u. Oberhasel
Parish as it Appears:	Oberhesel Etzelbach
Page Number:	21

Source Information
Ancestry.com. *Saxony and Thuringia, Germany, Lutheran Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, 1591-1875* [database on-line]. Lehi, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2016.

Original data:
Mikrofilm Sammlung. Familysearch.org
Originale: Staatsarchiv Weimar, Weimar, Deutschland.

Description
These are Lutheran church records from Saxony and Thuringia, Germany. Learn more...

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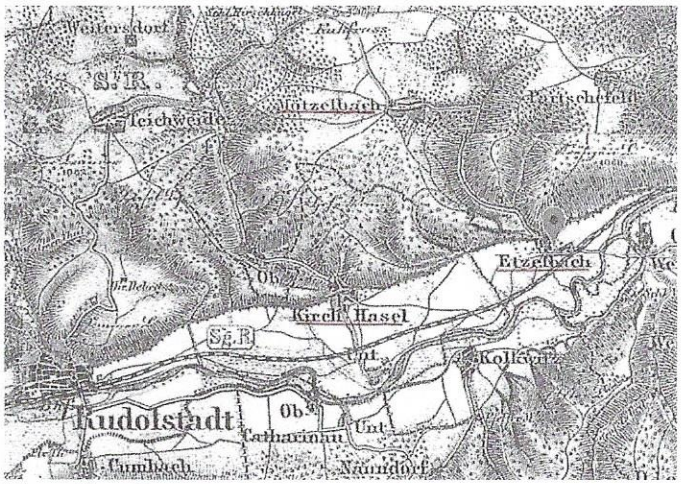
Since this information was from an Index, I wanted to see the original. Searching the Family History Library catalog on familysearch.org I found the church book had been filmed. I ordered the film to view at the Minnesota Historical Society Center, where it remains. FHL film #1196060 Items 4-9 baptisms, marriages and deaths 1809-1975 for Etzelbach and Oberhasel in Sachsen-Altenburg Thüringen, Germany (both affiliates of Kirchhasel). This area is now part of Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt, in Thüringen, Germany.

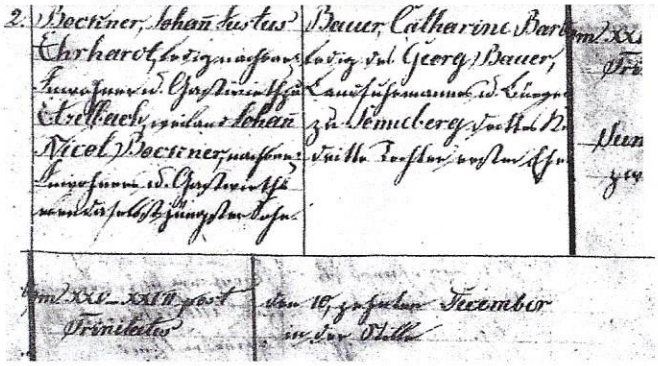


Myers Gazetteer

AUGUST BOCKNER AND CATHARINE BAUER Marriage Record page 44, No. 2, year 1839

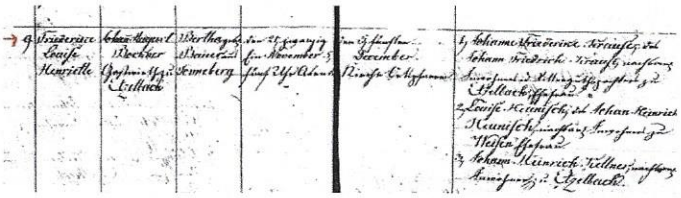
The groom Johann Justus [*Augustus/August*] Ehrhardt Bockner an Innkeeper in Etzelbach, youngest son of Johann Nicol Bockner an Innkeeper; the bride Catharine Barb Bauer, unmarried third daughter of Georg Bauer a Landfuhrmann/country freight handler of Sonneberg, were married 10 December 1839.

Groom Bride



LOUISE BOCKNER Birth Baptism Record page 21, entry 9, year 1842

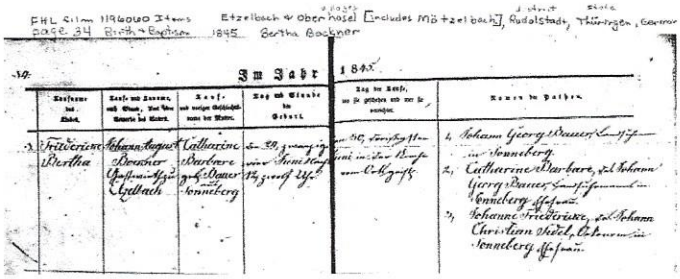
Friedericke Louise Henriette, daughter of Johann August Bockner an Innkeeper in Etzelbach and Bertha born Bauer from Sonneberg, was born 21 November at 5 in the morning, baptized 5 December. Godparents were 1. Johanne Friedericke Krause wife of Johann Friederich Krause of Etzelbach 2. Louise Heunisch wife of Johan Heinrich Heunisch and 3. Johann Heinrich Kellner of Etzelbach



BERTHA BOCKNER Birth Baptism Record page 34, entry 3, year 1845

Friedericke Bertha, daughter of Johann August Bockner an Innkeeper in Etzelbach and Catherine Barbare born Bauer in Sonneberg, was born 24 June, baptized 30th of same month. Godparents were 1. Johann Georg Bauer a Landfuhrmann/country freight handler of Sonneberg 2. Catherine Barbare the wife of Johann Georg Bauer of Sonneberg

3. Johanne Friedericke the wife of Johann Christian Sidel an Economist/book keeper from Sonneberg



Notes: In Catharine Barbara (Bauer) Bockner's will she lists her children

John Louis Albrecht
Born Aug 1826 in Sachsen-Meiningen
Died ? - so far have not found death record

Wilhelmina Barg [*sic*] Mrs. Fred Berg, her maiden name Albrecht or Bauer
Born 30 Apr 1829 Sonneberg, Sachsen-Meiningen
Died 29 Apr 1888 Bridgewater, Rice, Minn.

Louisa D. Thielbar Mrs. Albert F. Thielbar
Born 21 Nov 1842 Etzelbach, Sachsen-Altenburg
Died 16 Dec 1902 Dundas, Rice, Minn.

Bertha Bockner
Born 24 June 1845 Etzelbach, Sachsen-Altenburg
Died 6 Aug 1866 Dundas, Rice, Minn.
After Bertha's mother died in 1862, Bertha's legal guardian was her brother-in-law Albert F. Thielbar. When Albert enlisted in the military during the Civil War, Bertha's legal guardian was Fred Berg.

How Did You Get Here?

John Dalby passed this on for our amusement and confusion. It was in a collection of around 1000 obituaries, recently shared by Karen Schroeder, to enter in his data base dalbydata.com

A man was once visiting an asylum, and while walking in the grounds he met a patient, to whom he said: "Well, how did you get here?" The man replied: "Well, sir you see I married a widow with a grownup daughter, and then my father married my wife's daughter, that made my wife the mother-in-law of her father-in-law; and my father my step-son.

Then my step-mother, the daughter of my wife, had a son and that boy, of course, was my brother, because he was my father's son; but he was also the son of my wife's daughter, and therefore her grandson, and made me the grandfather of my half-brother.

Then my wife had a son, so my mother-in-law, the step-sister of my son, is also his grandmother, because his step-sister, is his grandfather's wife; I am the brother of my own son,
who is also the son of my step-grandmother; I am my step-mother's brother-in-law; my wife is her own child's aunt; my son is my father's nephew, and I am my own grandfather.
That's the reason I am here, sir."

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